

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1621**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF                          Art Unit: 1621  
WICHERT, ET AL    Examiner: Nwaonicha, Chukwuma  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO:                                      Conf. No.: 3029  
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FOR: PROCESS FOR PURIFYING MESOTRIONE

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**RESPONSE UNDER RULE 116**

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed March 20, 2009, kindly enter the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification – none.**

**Amendments to the Claims – none.**

**Amendments to the Drawings – N/A**

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.